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RESPONSE

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Sir:

This communication is filed in response to a Notice of Informality re: Payment of Fee, which recites mailing on September 24, 2003. A copy of the Notice is submitted with this response. According to the Notice, a fee of \$84.00 is due for additional claims.

Enclosed is our check for \$84.00 for the additional claims fee.

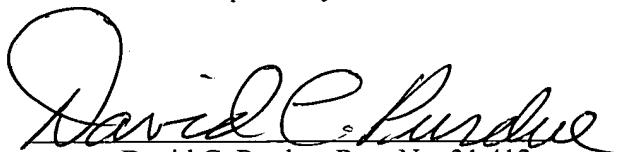
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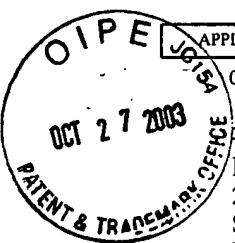
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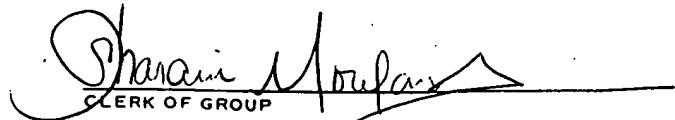
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